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CONTENT CONTROL CODE

OPERATIONAL TEST AND EVALUATION GROUP (OPTEG)

Minutes of Meeting, 25 September 1968

Participants

Mr. Charles R. Stein, State

Mr. John A. Steele, Air Force

Mr. Oliver H. Allen, Air Force

[redacted] NSA

[redacted] NSA

[redacted] CIA

[redacted] Chairman (IHC/SS)

1. [redacted] reported on the current status of the application of CCC to NSA product. He confirmed that CCC notations are being applied before reproduction and dissemination to most SIGINT product except (1) urgent, unserialized, electrically released product and (2) certain standard periodic or aperiodic reports of a multi-subject nature which treat previously published and coded material and are distributed by title. [redacted] also indicated that problems had been encountered in representing NSA user requirements in terms of the CCC.

2. [redacted] reported on CCC operational testing underway in CIA. He indicated that this effort was part of a larger study to determine the relative merits of manual and automatic dissemination, including the possibility that manual and automatic systems might be made to complement each other in a combined system. Insofar as CCC is concerned, the test is (1) to determine if certain content control codes or combinations thereof could be used as a basis for dissemination and to what extent, (2) to test CCC alone for its usefulness in expressing both technical requirements and broader political and economic requirements for the purposes of automatic dissemination and (3) to test CCC in combination with keywords.

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3. Five representative reading requirements were selected as the bases for the test. The test corpus will be 5000-6000 NSA teletypes. It is hoped that this will provide about 500 hits for each requirement. Customers will be asked to evaluate hits. Questionnaires have been carefully worded to distinguish among items which were properly disseminated (that is, in accordance with the reading requirement) and useful; properly disseminated but not useful; and improperly disseminated. Teletypes forwarded to the customers for evaluation will include a form to permit some evaluation of the relative speed and cost of the various methods of dissemination bearing in mind that the automatic systems tested may be less sophisticated than those which might ultimately be installed.

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5. The group was unanimous in its praise for the CIA test plan and its accompanying questionnaire and forms. [] suggested the possibility of conducting similar tests in other agencies utilizing to the maximum CIA test plan and forms with appropriate modifications dictated by respective agency considerations. He volunteered to assist in converting selected user requirements to CCC similar to the assistance he had provided to CIA in testing CCC.

6. In light of all of the foregoing information, members were requested to re-examine their responses to IHC-D-111/1.1/14 (Rev.) and if possible, develop a plan for initiating a test of CCC similar to that underway in CIA. State, NSA, and Air Force members indicated that they might do so. All members expressed an interest in the results obtained by CIA in testing CCC, when they were available.

7. The meeting was adjourned without an exact date being specified for the next meeting. Mr. Toler indicated that he would contact individual members at an early date concerning their new plans, if any, for testing CCC and their preferences for the next meeting date.

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Chairman

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INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION HANDLING COMMITTEE**

CCC Test and Evaluation Group

**Second Meeting
24 September 1968
1000 hrs. Room 2E62**

1. **Current status of application of CCC to NSA product.**
2. **Description of CCC testing and evaluation underway in CIA.**
3. **Other testing and evaluation of CCC.**
4. **Revision of IHC-D-111/1.1/14 (Rev.)**
5. **Other Business**



Secretary

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